

FY 2013 Transit Security Grant Program (TSGP) Roll Out Call

Stakeholder Questions and Answers

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Q. Could you clarify the Period of Performance (POP) for Maintenance & Sustainment (M&S) costs for previously purchased equipment?

A. If you are requesting M&S as a separate project type, the length of the M&S contract must not extend beyond the POP of the award under which it is funded. For FY13 this is 24 months. If the M&S was requested at the same time and under the same grant as the original equipment, coverage may exceed the POP. If submitting a request as a separate project please explain within the Investment Justification (IJ) how and where the equipment is used in order for the National Review Panel to determine within which funding priority the project should be scored. For more information please reference FEMA IB#379 and Grants Programs Directorate Policy FT 205-402-125-1.

Q. What is the standard for capital projects submissions and Environmental Historic Preservation (EHP) requirements?

A. Two requirements must be met prior to spending grant funds: EHP and budget clearance; both issued by FEMA. In order to expedite the process, it is allowable to submit EHP documentation with the grant application. While there is no longer an EHP “hold” on FEMA releasing funds to a grantee, EHP clearance must be obtained prior to breaking ground. However, other aspects of the project (such as planning) may proceed before EHP clearance is given.

Q. Can a project that is awaiting an extension approval be resubmitted for this fiscal year?

A. Yes. A project funded in a prior TSGP grant year that is awaiting extension review may be resubmitted in the FY13 application process. However, this does not guarantee the project will be funded in FY13, or that an extension for the originally funded project will be granted.